

Rare Books and Special Collections

KMOX Collection

Accession Number: MA uu:172

MA uu:173 MA uu:174 MA uu:162 MA 99:11 MA 04:07 MA 14:09 MA 14:15 MA 14:21 MA 14:24 MA 14:27

Location: SC E1, Shelf 5

Dates: 1925 - 2005

Size: 5 boxes, 1 oversize folder

Creator/Collector: Collection was created in Special Collections in 2015. All of the

KMOX radio materials were combined to create one discrete

collection.

Acquisition info: Files transferred from SLPL Tin Room Files.

Individual donations by unknown donors. Tom Langmeyer made a

small donation in 2004.

Several accessions came as donations by Frank Absher between 1988

and 2012.

Four accessions made in 2014 were donated by the St. Louis

Media History Foundation.

The last accession made in 2014 was by KMOX Radio. KMOX Radio also donated a box of administration files concerning its operations between 1959 and 1982 to the Media Archives before

2013.

Chip DeHart donated a 1948 report sometime before 2013.

Accruals: Few accruals expected

Custodial history: The collection was created in Special Collections in 2015. All of

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Language: English

Processed by: Sarah Cain, June 2015

Conservation notes: All items placed into acid-free folders and envelopes within

archival boxes. Metal fasteners have been removed.

Scope and Content: The collection contains administrative files, publications,

ephemera, and memorabilia for KMOX.

KMOX-AM first went live on December 24, 1925 out of its studios at the Mayfair Hotel. The station was owned by 15 local businessman and licensed as "The Voice of St. Louis." KMOX was also heavily supported by the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

During the golden age of radio in the 1930s, KMOX became one of CBS's flagship stations and began broadcasting on a frequency that could be heard as far away as Antarctica. In 1932, the studios were moved to the St. Louis Mart Building. That same year, CBS purchased KMOX along with seven other stations in major U.S. cities. Many legendary radio personalities began their careers at KMOX, including Jack Buck, Joe Buck, Harry Caray, Bob Costas, Joe Garagiola, and Mike Shannon. The station's offices at currently located at 1220 Olive Street in the Park Pacific Building (formerly known as the Missouri Pacific Building).

KMOX-FM went on the air on February 12, 1962. In 1982, the KMOX-FM call letters were dropped and replaced by KHTR. The station went through another call letter change in 1988 and became the current KLOU, which plays classic hits of the 60s, 70s, and 80s.

Arrangement: Collection organized into subseries.

Series 1: Administrative files

Subseries 1: Operations, 1959-1982

Series 2: Papers

Subseries 2: Marketing

Folders arranged alphabetically within series and subseries.

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Remarks: Jean Gosebrink accession numbers included with corresponding items.



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4 legal Hollingers, 1 legal slim Hollinger, 1 oversize folder; 2.5 cu. ft.

Box/Folder	<u>Description</u>
1/1	Finding aid
	Series 1: Administrative files
	Box 1: KMOX Collection – Administrative Files
1/2	Administrative files
1/3	Annual report, 1964. Ge-550
1/4	Annual report, 1965. Ge-550
1/5	Annual report, 1966. Ge-550
1/6	Emergency: A handbook of procedures for KMOX radio personnel. Ge-529
1/7	Employment. Ge-001359
1/8	FCC Records
1/9	Incorporation documents
1/10	KMOX letterhead and envelopes
1/11	Move to Gateway Tower, 1960s
1/12	Move to Sidney and Hampton, 1950s
1/13	Operation sheets, March 3, 1969. MA 14:27
1/14	Parachuting Santa hoax, December 27, 1980 [see recording Ca-018]
1/15	Radio transmitter. Ge-001356
1/16	Staff directories and lists, 1970-2005. MA 14:27
1/17	Studios
1/18	Technical history
	Subseries 1: Operations, 1959-1982
	Box 2: KMOX Collection – Administrative Files, Operations 1948, 1959- 1982
2/1	1959-1968
2/2	1974-1982
2/3	Equipment – Western Electric 110-A Amp.
2/4	IBEW Local Union #4
2/5	Report, KMOX-AM 50kw transmitting plant, 1948
2/-	CBS News on D-Day, 1945
	Series 2: Papers

Box 3: KMOX Collection - Papers



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Postcards. Ge-504, Ge-636

Peruna's Family Song Book, circa 1937. Ge-0792



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	Box 4: KMOX Collection - Papers
4/1	Program schedules, 1950s-1970
4/2	Programming, "Bible Quiz", 1940s
4/3	Programming, music shows. MA 14:27
4/4	Programming, Old Fiddlers' Contest, 1933
4/5	Programming, Pappy Cheshire's talent schedule, circa 1942
4/6	Programming Highlights, May 4, 1985-January 10, 1986.
4/7	QSL cards. Ge-581, Ge-599
4/8	Radio Digest, April 24, 1926. Ge-818
4/9	Radio Stars, October 1934. Ge-942
4/10	Radio workshop for teachers, 1946-1947
4/11	Rates and package plans, 1937-1980
4/12	Script, Battle of Manila Bay drama, 1942
4/13	Script, Bob Hardy, 1973
4/14	Script, Bob Ingham
4/15	Script, Ozark Melodies, February 4, 1935
4/16	Script, Pappy Cheshire, Uncle Dick Slack's Furniture
4/17	Script, The Purple Heart, June, 17, 1944
4/18	Script, Slack Old Fashioned Barn Dance, July 4, 1942
4/19	Scripts. Ge-1359, MA 14:27
4/20	Scripts, Ferdinand M. Isserman, 1934-1935. Ge-1196
4/21	Scripts, Jack Carney
4/22	Song book, Pappy Cheshire and his Hillbilly Champions, 1940. Ge-697
4/23	"The St. Louis Cardinals 1977 Season"
4/24	Star of the Game by Harry Caray. Ge-559
4/25	"Tell the Truth". Ge-260
4/26	Voice of the Orient. Ge-557
	Subseries 2: Marketing
	Box 5: KMOX Collection – Papers, Marketing
5/2	Decals
5/3	Ephemera and memorabilia. Ge-685, Ge-0794, Ge-503c, Ge-080564
5/4	General. Ge-001371
5/5	Sports. Ge-552, Ge-553
	Map drawer A-13
[oversize]	KMOX. Ge-271, Ge-1374, Ge-960, Ge-805, PM-37/MA uu:162